ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE GREATER LAFAYETTE AREA TRANSPORTATION & DEVELOPMENT STUDY

Minutes May 3, 2006

MEMBERS PRESENT

Tony Roswarski

Jan Mills

Mayor of the City of Lafayette

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President of the Area Plan Commission

President of West Lafayette City Council

Cindy Murray

President, Lafayette Board of Works

Alan Plunkett Representative of IN. Dept. of Transportation (INDOT)

Joel Wright Chairman of the GLPTC

John Knochel President of the Board of Commissioners

Absent Voting Members

David Byers President of the County Council
Perry Brown President of the Lafayette City Council

Non-Voting Members

Sallie Fahey Executive Director of the Area Plan Commission
Opal Kuhl Executive Director, Tippecanoe County Highway Dept.

Dave Franklin US Department of Transportation, FHWA

Marty Sennett Greater Lafayette Public Transportation Corporation

Jennifer Bonner City Engineer of Lafayette

Dana Smith Pres.- Lafayette-W. Lafayette Chamber of Commerce

Absent Non-Voting Members

Dave Buck West Lafayette City Engineer

Dennis Carson Director of Lafayette Redevelopment Committee
Jon Fricker Technical Transportation Committee Chairman

Also Present

Doug Poad APC Staff
John Thomas APC Staff

Chair Mayor Roswarski called the meeting to order at 1:30pm.

I. MINUTES

<u>John Knochel moved to approve the minutes from the March 21, 2006 meeting. Joel Wright seconded</u> and the motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

II. DRAFT TRANSPORTATION PLAN FOR 2030

John Thomas referred to the first draft of the plan and noted that it contains all the projects that were discussed at the last meeting. He summarized the plan and stated that there is a change to the map, requested by the City of Lafayette. This change shows a new road from Concord Road to US 52 to tie in with Maple Point Drive and cross the intersection. The new road will minimize the dangerous intersection at Concord and Teal Roads and open up new areas for development. He stated that the plan addresses the content requirements of T21 and also Environmental Justice issues. The plan will be taken to the Citizens Participation Committee on May 9th, the Technical Committee on May 17th and the Area Plan

Commission for final approval on the evening of the 17th. He advised the Committee that there may be some modifications to the plan in the next year, depending on the interpretation of the new federal legislation. He noted the plan will be augmented with changes within the next year with regard to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, freight movement and traffic counts. He requested everyone proofread the document and alert him of any typographical changes that need to be made and requested a favorable recommendation of the draft of the 2030 Transportation Plan.

Tony Roswarski asked when John Thomas would need the changes.

John Thomas stated that he would need any change requests by the first of next week (May 8th).

Jan Mills moved to recommend the Draft 2030 Transportation Plan move to the hearing process. John Knochel seconded and the motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

III. FY 2007 TIP PREVIEW

Doug Poad stated the Transportation Improvement Program complements the Long Range Transportation Plan in that the Long Range Transportation Plan looks out 20-25 years in the future, while the TIP allocates funds for 5 years of projects. The TIP takes the actual planning ideas and compares them to the federal monies received and actually implements the projects. Doug Poad stated that there was no TIP done last year and all efforts were on the 2030 Transportation Plan. Doug updated the status of the TIP by stating that, in March, he received lists from both cities, the county, CityBus, Purdue Airport and INDOT listing their projects for the next 5 years. The requests were put into a table and compared to the available federal funds and as expected, the requests exceeded the funding. At the last Technical Transportation Committee meeting, the members fiscally constrained and prioritized the requests. Doug stated that, while working on the documentation, he located \$344 thousand in additional federal funds that can be programmed at the next Technical Transportation meeting. He stated that the draft will be ready in late June or early July and requested that the Committee review and recommend the document in order for it to be presented to the Area Plan Commission for adoption at their July, 2006 meeting.

Tony Roswarski asked where the additional funds came from.

Doug Poad responded that several projects already underway have unspent funds available. The Tapawingo extension has funds available from the right-of-way phase and the Cumberland project had funds programmed for a corridor study, which was not done. Those funds are still available but INDOT did not have this information available when the TIP was drafted and presented to the Technical Committee.

Dave Franklin asked if the TIP was being prepared under the old T21 regulations or the new SAFETEA-LU guidelines.

Dave Franklin stated that INDOT is not doing an INSTIP this year and that they are realigning the INSTIP for the state fiscal year, which begins on July 1, 2007. He suggested waiting on some projects in order to get in alignment with the state fiscal year rather than completing the work, only to have to do it over.

Sallie Fahey stated that a new TIP is done every year.

Doug Poad noted that the TIP begins on the state fiscal year, July 1st.

Dave Franklin stated that the INSTIP used to be approved around October to coincide with the federal fiscal year but now they are realigning it. He left it up to the Committee to talk this over and reach a decision.

Doug Poad stated that a new TIP needs to be completed by July because the old one was approved over 2 years ago.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

Sallie Fahey distributed copies of the Change Order Policy for the members to take back to their jurisdictions as well as copies for the audience.

Sallie Fahey then announced that Melissa Baldwin, from the Oklahoma City MPO, has been hired to fill the transportation planner vacancy at the Area Plan Commission. She has extensive GIS experience as well as knowledge in socio-economic analysis.

Sallie Fahey stated that there will be a public hearing, hosted by INDOT, to discuss the SR 26 & I65 interchange, on Thursday, May 4, 2006. At 5:30, interested parties can speak individually with INDOT representatives, followed by the public hearing at 6:00pm.

Tony Roswarski asked Sallie Fahey if she would be attending the meeting and speaking on behalf of the local jurisdictions.

Sallie Fahey stated that she would be happy to do that but as far as she knows, the only local issue she has heard of is the discontinuous sidewalk problem.

John Thomas noted that they would be installing curbs and stormwater pipes and widening the shoulder into a 3rd lane in either direction, but only for a couple of blocks.

Tony Roswarski asked if this was the project where the City had to get the water lines moved.

Opal Kuhl stated that this project only involves the interchange.

John Thomas stated the state will be making dual left turn lanes off the northbound exit and entrance ramp as well as a dual turn lane off of the southbound ramp.

Tony Roswarski asked if this project will extend to Park East Boulevard.

Sallie Fahey concurred but stated that the only sidewalks will be right under the interstate and not extend to any of the businesses or hotels along SR 26. She then stated this is not very user-friendly in that many of the hotel guests walk to the restaurants and shopping.

Joel Wright asked if any of the money used for this project is coming from Major Moves.

Sallie Fahey stated that federal money is being used on this project, although some money may be matched out of the Major Moves monies being dispersed to the local jurisdictions.

Alan Plunkett mentioned that there may be a way to get a 3rd year out of the local Major Moves money, depending on how investments may pay off.

Jan Mills noted that many of the northern counties have repealed the Wheel Tax.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Jan Mills moved to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 1:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sallie Dell Fahey

Secretary

SDF/Imu